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SUBJ: POLISH PRESS REACTION TO VANCE APPOINTMENT

1. AN EDITORIAL BY FRANCISZEK NIETZ IN ZYCIE WARSZAWY OF DECEMBER 6 STATES THAT PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER'S APPOINTMENT OF CYRUS VANCE AS SECRETARY OF STATE HAS BEEN "EVALUATED POSITIVELY IN AMERICA AS WELL AS ABROAD."

2. VANCE IS DEPICTED AS AN EXPERIENCED POLITICIAN, FAMILIAR WITH THE DIFFICULTIES AND COMPLEXITY OF WIELDING POWER. HE IS CHARACTERIZED AS "A RESPECTED, DEXTEROUS NEGOTIATOR, AS WELL AS DISCREET AND DEVOID OF GREAT AMBITIONS." THE EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT THE FUTURE AMERICAN PRESIDENT KNOWS THAT THE SUCCESS OF HIS ADMINISTRATION IN A TIME OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DIFFICULTIES DEPENDS ON SUCH PEOPLE.

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